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PARTAIN, RICHARD CARL 184

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REGISTRATION AND SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE  
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE 9-7-84

FULL NAME Ricky Carl Partain  
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)  
ADDRESS 529. Willow Lane  
CITY Birmingham STATE Alabama ZIP CODE 35206  
DATE OF BIRTH June 25, 1953 (This is important and should be exact)  
APPROXIMATE AGE \_\_\_\_\_ (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)  
RELIGION Protestant NATIONALITY U. S. Citizen  
OCCUPATION Teacher and Wrestling Coach  
EDUCATION B.S.E.  
WEIGHT 180 lbs. COLOR white HEIGHT 5'10"  
COLOR OF HAIR Brown COLOR OF EYES Brown  
STANDING CHARACTERISTICS OR INTERESTS Wrestling and swimming  
MARRIED OR SINGLE single CHILDREN -0-  
(Number, ages, and names, if possible)  
WIFE'S NAME n/a/

## SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

UNIT #	CITY	STATE	OFFICE	DATE REGISTERED	DATE RESIGNED
Troop 69	Birmingham	Alabama	Birmingham	9/30/78	8/29/84
Troop 75	Pinson	Alabama	Birmingham	1/31/77	1/31/78

SPECIAL RECOGNITION \_\_\_\_\_

## RECOMMENDED FOR CONFIDENTIAL FILE FOR FOLLOWING REASONS:

☐ CONVICTION OF CRIMINAL CONDUCT ☐ SUBSTANTIATED REPORTS  
☐ OFFICIAL CHARGES OF CRIMINAL CONDUCT (REVIEW) ☒ UNSUBSTANTIATED REPORTS

SPECIFY THE FACTS WHICH LEAD YOU TO RECOMMEND INDIVIDUAL FOR CONFIDENTIAL FILE  
AND LIST SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS:

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JOSEPH L. ADOLPH

Signed

SCOUT EXECUTIVE

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April 18, 1986

Mr. James C. Tinker  
Scout Executive  
Birmingham Area Council, No. 2

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Ricky Carl Partain

Dear Jim:

Thank you for the detailed information concerning the above Scouter. We have reviewed this case with our Attorney and have now placed this man on the Confidential File.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration, Subscription &  
Statistical Service

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cc: Southeast Region

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SHIRLEY MEYER

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October 12, 1984

Mr. Jere B. Ratcliffe  
Scout Executive  
Birmingham Area Council, No. 2

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Jere:

Thank you for all the information which you sent concerning Ricky Carl Partain. This is certainly most helpful to us in both identifying Mr. Partain and also in refusing registration at a later date.

We would like any other material, which may become available to you, concerning this situation. If any other parents or Scouts come forward with information, this will certainly strengthen our refusal of registration.

Please let us know if we can be of any help.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director  
Registration, Subscription &  
Statistical Service

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cc: Southeast Region

READY TO FILE

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ERIN O'RILEY

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# BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

BIRMINGHAM AREA COUNCIL [2]

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Jere B. Ratcliffe  
Scout Executive

September 19, 1984

Personal and Confidential

Mr. Paul I. Ernst  
Director, Subscription and  
Statistical Service  
National Council  
Boy Scouts of America  
1325 Walnut Hill Lane  
Irving, Texas 75062-1296

Dear Paul:

SUBJECT: (1). Alan Francis  
District Committeeman, Unit 3603  
(2). Ricky Carl Partain  
529 Willow Lane  
Birmingham, Alabama 35206

Subject (1). -- Since the time that Mr. Francis' registration was approved on a probationary basis, his condition has been satisfactory and his participation level in Scouting has been moderate and appropriate. However, I think that we should continue to monitor Mr. Francis and to restrict his participation to a district level.

Subject (2). -- The first knowledge that the Birmingham Area Council had of Ricky C. Partain came through a letter from [REDACTED] registering the concern of Mr. and Mrs. [REDACTED], Jr. of Indianapolis over Partain's action in a non-Scout related situation. Our initial investigation did not find Partain registered with a Scout unit; but, we later found that he had been working with a Scout Troop as Assistant Scoutmaster for the past several years. I am personally familiar with the other leaders of Troop 69 where he has had contact, and feel that the incident that they refer to is very likely the first Scout associated complaint to derive from this individual's activities.



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Mr. Paul I. Ernst  
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September 19, 1984

During the last week of August, 1984, Tom Adair, Scouting Coordinator for Mountain Chapel United Methodist Church, contacted this office and discussed a complaint that he had received through the Scoutmaster from one set of parents in the troop. The attached "Exhibit A" is the statement received from Mr. Adair registering this situation.

Mr. Adair and other adults in the Troop Committee and the Scoutmaster asked for and received Mr. Partain's resignation (not in writing). The Scoutmaster met with the parents (which did not press any charges), and they seemed to be satisfied with the Scoutmaster's explanation that Partain had resigned.

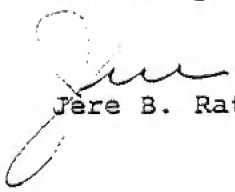
At this point, we have not been able to receive written, signed statements from anyone else regarding the matter, and the Troop Committee feels that matters should be dropped.

At this time, I am recommending by "Confidential Record Sheet - Appendix B" that Ricky Carl Partain not be allowed to register in the Boy Scouts of America in any capacity. We will continue to monitor his activities and that of [REDACTED] age 15, who is currently registered as a member of Troop 69. [REDACTED] is the [REDACTED] referred to in [REDACTED] letter of March 16, 1982.

Hopefully, we can supply additional information to the file to assist us if needed down the road.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,



Jere B. Ratcliffe

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Enclosures

cc: Mr. Hoyt Hunt, Regional Director, S.E. Region

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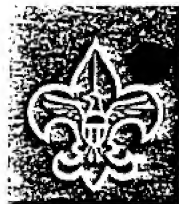
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EXHIBIT "A"

Parents of one of the Troops' Scouts called the Scoutmaster and alleged that the Assistant Scoutmaster "fondled" their son on two occasions while teaching swimming skill award or merit badge. The Assistant Scoutmaster indicated there may have been a casual, unintentional touching during instruction but the parents of the scout indicate it went far beyond casual touching.

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# CROSSROADS OF AMERICA COUNCIL BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA, INC.

COUNCIL 160 — EAST CENTRAL REGION

SCOUTING/USA

March 16, 1982

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Mr. Jere B. Ratcliffe  
Birmingham Area Council, BSA  
3600 8th Avenue, South  
Box 30010  
Birmingham, Alabama 35222

## PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Dear Jere:

Something has been brought to our attention that I feel is in order to share with you in the event the man in question is a Scouter in your council as he implies. He may very well not be.

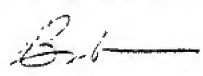
Rick Partain (white male in his late 20's) and residing at 529 Willow Lane, Birmingham, Alabama 35206 (Tel. No. 205-836-4123) was en route from Birmingham, Alabama, to Lincoln, Nebraska, this past week with an 11 year old boy named [REDACTED], Pinson, Alabama, when his brown Chevy van had motor trouble here in the Indianapolis area. Partain is apparently a wrestling coach and very active in wrestling circles. The 11 year old was apparently a wrestler.

Acquaintances of Partain from wrestling activities, Mr. and Mrs. [REDACTED], Indianapolis [REDACTED] invited Partain and the boy to stay at their home from Tuesday, March 9th to Friday, March 12th while the van was being repaired. They cancelled the trip to Lincoln, Nebraska, and headed back to Birmingham on the 12th.

The concern stems from the fact that there was evidence during the stay at the [REDACTED] home that Partain made sexual advances to the boy, and the boy at one point was heard to shout "No, no - coach - you can't make me do it." Mrs. [REDACTED] also was shocked to find the two in bed together on Thursday night.

They felt so strongly about the likelihood of a problem that they felt if the man was indeed in Scouting, the local council in Birmingham should be made aware of it. It is in that spirit that I pass this along.

Cordially and sincerely,

  
Robert L. Calvert  
Council Executive  
RLC:gr

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THANKS TO YOU  
THE WAY WORKS  
ON ALL OF US



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April 13, 1982

Personal and Confidential

Mr. Robert L. Calvert  
Scout Executive  
Crossroads of America Council, BSA  
315 Alabama Street  
Indianapolis, Indiana 46204

Dear Bob:

Thank you for your letter of March 18th bringing to my attention the situation related to your concern of Birmingham's Rick Partain.

Our initial investigation found that Mr. Partain has not been associated with Scouting in the Birmingham area in recent years, if ever. We are presently trying to find some connections with him in order to see if any circumstances do exist or if we can find credible parties involved in wrestling activities with whom we can communicate with, with reference to the suspicions pertaining to Partain's actions.

Please assure Mr. and Mrs. [REDACTED] that we are not dropping this matter and will inform you and them of any final outcome.

With kindest regards,

Sincerely,

Jere B. Ratcliffe  
Scout Executive

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